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VIENNA FOR USIAEA

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, TECH, IAEA, EEC
SUBJECT: IAEA-EURATOM SAFEGUARDS

REFS: (A) BRUSSELS 13833: (B) VIENNA 6489

1. IN RETROSPECT IT IS CLEAR THAT LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 2
REF A WAS AMBIGUOUSLY DRAFTED AND THEREBY LED VIENNA IAEA
IN PARA 3 OF REF B TO MISINTERPRET WILLIAMS' POSITION.

2. I TELEPHONED WILLIAMS JULY 19 AND OBTAINED CONFIRMATION
THAT WHEN HE ASKS FOR A COOLING-OFF PERIOD HE IS NOT
SEEKING A DELAY IN THE NEGOTIATIONS. RATHER HE WANTS TO
CONCLUDE THE CURRENT FACILITY ATTACHMENT NEGOTIATIONS AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT ON "A TRIAL BASIS" IN ORDER TO
RETURN TO THE TECHNICAL ISSUES IN A YEAR OR SO WHEN
PASSIONS ON ALL SIDES MAY HAVE SUBSISTED. HE REITERATED
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THAT THE THREE COUNTERPROPOSALS THAT HAVE NOW BEEN SUB-
MITTED TO IAEA REPRESENT IN THE EURATOM VIEW A REASONABLE
BASIS FOR A TEMPORARY SOLUTION. THEY CONTAIN, HE SAYS, A
BALANCE BETWEEN IAEA'S INTEREST IN SHORT DETECTION TIMES
AND EURATOM'S INTEREST IN RESPONSIBLE OPERATING PRACTICES.
THEY WOULD EXPLICITLY BE SUBJECT TO REVIEW ON THE BASIS OF
FURTHER EXPERIENCE AND POLICY DETERMINATIONS IN IAEA.

3. WILLIAMS ADDED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE WRITTEN PROPOSALS HE HAS ORALLY CONVEYED TO FISCHER AN ASSURANCE WHICH EKLUND COULD REFER TO IN HIS STATEMENT TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING TO THE EFFECT THAT THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT OBJECT IF IAEA INSPECTORS MADE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL CHECKS DIRECTLY WITH THE PRIVATE OPERATORS OF NUKEM.

4. SORRY THAT WE INADVERTENTLY ADDED ANOTHER ELEMENT OF CONFUSION TO WHAT IS ALREADY CONFUSED ENOUGH. HINTON

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